

Professor Dame Sheila Sherlock (1918-2001)

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It was very hard to hear that professor and Dame Sheila Sherlock died, on 30 December. I had the opportunity to meet Professor Sherlock in the late fifties. I remember professor Sherlock as a very strong, dynamic, enthusiastic and with very high sensitive humor woman. She was the second President of EASL, and the first editor of the *Journal of Hepatology*, serving from 1974-1979. In 1950 she was one of the first members of AASLD. She organized the first meeting of IASL was held at the Royal Free in 1960.

Professor Sherlock visited Mexico in three times, in 1959 during the World Gastroenterology Meeting in

Acapulco, in 1980 she was invited to celebrate in Mexico City The Symposium “Ten Years in Hepatology”, and in 1994 she was invited as a professor to IALD Meeting in Cancun. Also she was a mentor of several Mexican fellows (Luis Guevara, David Kershenobich, Juan Lagarriga, Juan Ramón Aguilar Ramírez, Linda Muñoz, René Cardenas and Octavio Campollo). She will always remain in our memory as an excellent scientist who not only opened the doors of hepatology for women but also by lead to notable advances in our knowledge of Hepatology.